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## ALL ARE ANXIOUS TO PLEASE AMERICA

### PRESIDENT WILSON'S PROTEST HIT THE RIGHT PLACE

### ALL NEUTRAL SHIPPING WILL SOON BE FREED FROM UN- REASONABLE INTERFERENCE BY BRITAIN AND ALLIES

London, Jan. 2.—It was learned today that King George is taking a personal part in the negotiations relative to the reply Great Britain will make to the United States' note protesting against interference by the warring nations of Europe with American shipping. It is understood that the king, foreign minister, prime minister and other influential members of the British government favor an immediate, conciliatory reply. It is expected that an international arrangement will be effected by which American ships will be freed from delay in passage, searches and seizures, and the same non-interference except in special cases will be maintained toward the other neutral shipping. France and Russia are reported to be in thorough accord with this policy.

### EXPECT AN ATTACK

### TURKS ARE MASSING TROOPS AT ALL POINTS AROUND THEIR CAPITAL

Constantinople, Jan. 2.—An army of 150,000 has been concentrated around Constantinople. The Turks are fortifying Marmora Island.

### INVASION OF AUSTRIA

### BY A SERBIAN ARMY IS THE NEXT THING ON THE PROGRAM

Nish, Jan. 2.—A Serbian army is being reorganized in preparation for an invasion of Hungary. All Serbia is now clear of Austrian soldiers.

### AN IMMENSE AMOUNT

\$321,000,000 Appropriated for the Postoffice Department

Washington, Jan. 2.—The annual postoffice appropriation bill carrying \$321,000,000 was passed by the House yesterday. It included legislation abolishing the position of assistant postmaster in many offices, inaugurating a revised system of railway mail pay, including payment for increased mail weight due to the parcel post, and making other organization changes, recommended by Postmaster General Burleson. Efforts to authorize an experimental contract service to replace rural carriers was defeated.

## FIGHTING FOR THE FATHERLAND

### GERMANS REPORT IMPORTANT SUCCESSSES ON EASTERN AND WESTERN FRONTS

Berlin, Jan. 2.—Advances have been made by Germans all along the line the Argonne district. The French have bombarded Saarburg, in Lorraine, northwest of Strassburg.

All the enemy's attacks near Neuport have been repulsed. Fierce French attacks, north of Verdun, near Ailly, near Apremont and north of Commercy have been repulsed with heavy losses to the French. The Germans captured a hundred prisoners and thirty-three officers and now occupy Bois Brules. The French reports of the occupation of Steinbach are untrue.

In the east German progress is favorable.

### AN OPERATION NECESSARY

Amsterdam, Jan. 2.—A dispatch from Berlin says the kaiser has been advised by his physicians to undergo an operation for catarrh of the throat immediately.

## ARE COMING ACROSS

### OPERATORS IN OHIO CONCEDE DEMANDS OF THEIR EMPLOYES

Bridgeport, Ohio, Jan. 2.—The Pluto Coal Co. will this afternoon sign a miner's scale. It is reported that the Red Mud Mine Co. will also sign. This is the first break in the ranks of the operators.

Feel like trying a Scotch highball (any other kind if you do not like the Scotch) then try one at Johnny's Place. 22-tf

On Saturday and Monday, 18 pounds of sugar for \$1, with one dollar's worth of other groceries, for cash. Smith Grocery Co. Phone 434. tf

The best gin rickey in the city is served at Johnny's Place. 22-tf

## BETTER WEATHER BRINGS FIERCER BATTLES

### ALLIED PRESSURE ON GERMANS CAUSES THEM TO SHIFT HEAVY FORCES FROM THE EAST

Paris, Jan. 2.—With the abatement of the fierce storms which have been prevailing over northern Europe for the past ten days, the fighting in northern France and Belgium is growing much fiercer. The artillery of both sides continues to play a most important part.

### FORCES COMING OVER FROM THE EASTERN FRONT

It is reported that great masses of German troops, estimated at over 200,000, passed through Cologne yesterday en route to the Yser front.

### SWINGING IN AN ALMOST EVEN SCALE

Paris, Jan. 2, 3 p. m.—The destruction of German trenches near Parvillers and Labels is reported, but slight successes for the Germans in the Arras region are admitted.

The French maintained gains in West Flanders near Nieuport against

furious attacks. Artillery battles are raging at Arras, Albert, Roye and along the Aisne where the French have gained the mastery.

The Germans are again bombarding the French in the vicinity of Rheims. In the Argonne district the Germans made a slight advance in the forests of Lagruie. The Germans suffered heavy losses at Steinback. In the Vosges the German attack near Brementil was repulsed with severe losses.

### REGAL AUTO FOR SALE

A Regal underslung automobile, Q. D. tires, perfect condition, for \$275 on easy terms. Address, A. M. Lansford, Ocala, Fla. Mo-We-Fri

A beautifully marked, 18 months old pedigree Shetland Mare Pony for sale. Address Star Office. dh

## A PROPOSITION

The Florida Power Company proposes to sell the city of Ocala Electric Current at Dunnellon at 1 1/2 cents per K. W. H. The City to construct a line from Ocala to Dunnellon.

—OR—

The Power Company will sell the city current delivered to the switchboard of the city plant at 2300 volts, at 2 cents per K. W. H.

The City to enter into a ten year contract with the Power Co. It being distinctly understood and agreed upon, however, that the city is to have the privilege of terminating the contract at the end of two years by giving the Power Company thirty days notice.

As evidence of its faith in the above proposition the Power Company suggests that the Light and Water Committee of the City Council, and a committee of three appointed by the President of the Board of Trade, acting jointly, select a competent consulting engineer to pass on the merit of the proposition. Should the engineer advise the city to reject both propositions, the Power Company agrees to pay for the examination and report of the engineer.

## FIGHTING WITH UNABATED FURY

### PETROGRAD REPORTS INVASION OF HUNGARY AT FOUR POINTS

### AUSTRIAN REVERSES CAUSE GERMANS TO MOVE SOUTH IN HEAVY COLUMNS TO RELIEVE THEIR ALLIES

Petrograd, Jan. 2.—The Galician village of Mshonka and the town itself with 3,000 men and ten guns have been captured by the Russians. The battle at this point continues to rage with the Austrians delivering furious counter attacks. So far these have all been repulsed.

In the Bukovina region the Russians have occupied Storonice and Redauck, capturing many prisoners.

The Germans under General Mackenson are pressing southward from Leds and Lovicz in an effort to relieve the Austrians in the Carpathians and northern Galicia, who are in great danger.

The Russians are invading Hungary from four different points.

### RUSSIAN GAIN IS STEADY

Petrograd, Jan. 2.—Furious fighting with Turks around Sarikamsch continues. The weather is bitter cold.

## BUNCH OF BANDITS

### LOCKED CASHIER IN THE BANK VAULT AND CARRIED OFF MUCH LOOT

Neelyville, Mo., Jan. 2.—Cashier Walker of the Bank of Neelyville was held up by a masked bandit this morning and robbed of \$4000. The cashier was found locked in the vault almost frozen.

### MEDALS FOR MERIT

Will be Presented on the Battleship Florida Next Wednesday

Washington, Jan. 2.—Plans for the exercises on board the battleship Florida Wednesday at New York when Secretary Daniels will present the heroes of the Vera Cruz occupation with medals for meritorious conduct were announced today by the navy department.

Following the presentation of the medals, the secretary, Mrs. Daniels, Rear Admiral Fletcher, commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet, and his staff; Rear Admiral Blue, chief of the bureau of navigation, and the officers of the fleet will attend a reception given by the Seventh Regiment, New York National Guard, at its armory Wednesday night.

The Ocala House is now issuing special meal tickets. 24-tf

## STRICKEN BY TWO SUBMARINES

### ATTACKS ON THE FORMIDABLE WERE FROM BOTH FORE AND AFT

London, Jan. 2.—That the British battleship Formidable, sunk off Devonshire yesterday, was attacked by two German submarines, was established today. The vessel was attacked off Dartmouth and torpedoed fore and aft. At least 71 out of the crew of 750 were rescued. It is believed that others were also picked up. The disaster took place 300 miles from Zeebrugge, from where the German submarines are operating. The admiral said today that 35 officers were drowned when the Formidable went down.

### STRIVING TO OBTAIN PARDON FOR STRIPLING

Atlanta, Jan. 2.—Gov. Slaton has taken under advisement an application for a pardon for Thomas Edgar Stripling, who was apprehended in Virginia in 1911 and brought back to Georgia to serve a life sentence for murder after he had escaped from jail fourteen years before, while awaiting transfer to the state prison farm.

Stripling was chief of police in Danville, Va., under the name of R. E. Morris, when he was recognized by a former acquaintance. He at once admitted his identity and voluntarily returned with the authorities to this state, where he had been convicted of shooting and killing W. J. Cornett in Harris county.

Relatives and friends applied to Joseph M. Brown, then governor of Georgia, for clemency for the prisoner but it was refused. Recently various petitions in Stripling's behalf were presented to Gov. Slaton and a hearing was held today.

Certificates by physicians indicated that the prisoner was in ill health. Testimony was then introduced tending to show that there were mitigating circumstances connected with the crime, it being alleged that Cornett was shot because he had insulted Stripling's sister.

Peloubet's Sunday school lesson notes at The Murray Company. 31-3f

## SUITS OR OVERCOATS FOR MEN WHO KNOW

It is our delight to measure a customer who knows what he wants and insists on getting it, as this is the time that the services of a real tailor is absolutely necessary in order to give satisfaction. I do know the Tailoring business; I am an expert tailor and cutter, and that is the very reason that I guarantee to make you an

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## THE ENGLISH WOOLEN MILLS

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